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WHOLE 620

Registration Drive Now on Full Blast

Chicago.—Labor League for Political Education set Aug. 15 for the start of a 6-week intensive campaign to Oct. 1 to obtain full registration of all AFL members, their families and friends for the November congressional elections.

The AFL Executive Council, meeting here, agreed to turn over one day of the 69th convention opening at Houston on Sept. 18 to the 1950 political campaign. Tentative plans call for inviting senatorial spokesmen for the Democratic and Republican parties to discuss the issues of the 1950 congressional elections.

The registration drive will be a climactic burst of steam, augmenting the year-long effort of many AFL affiliates, to get all of labor's

votes qualified to ballot in November.

The administrative committee of Labor's League for Political Education, which met during the council session, announced a 6-week campaign would be made from Aug. 15 to Oct. 1 to obtain full registration for the November congressional elections.

"In the industrial states we feel we have the votes to win if we can prevail upon the voters to register and go to the polls," said President Green.

"We are confident we will succeed in defeating Sen. Taft in Ohio as decisively as Sen. Ball was defeated in Minnesota, Sen. Revercomb in West Virginia and Sen. Brooks in Illinois, in 1948. The issues are the same."

Other Groups Join With AFL Disaster Comm.

A number of other organizations have become a part of the AFL Organized Labor Disaster Committee in Salinas, the program being coordinated into a working arrangement which will be very effective in event of an emergency, Secretary A. J. Clark reports.

Committee Chairman J. B. McGinley reportedly has been asked by the CIO organizations if the CIO program may be merged with that of the AFL, Clark said. The CIO also is interested in supporting the general AFL programs for first aid training and the blood bank, he added.

Meanwhile, the AFL program is being pressed. Charts for mobilization have been prepared and nearly all organizations are working to explain to members just where they would fit into the program in event of emergency.

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS BUSY ON NEW WORK

Building tradesmen in the Salinas area were being kept busy last week by new projects opening up and only a few workers were listed as unemployed, according to announcements by Harvey Baldwin, business agent of Carpenters Union 925, and J. B. McGinley, business agent of Laborers Union 272.

Both officials reported workers sent to start a new kiln and burning unit at the Permanente Metals Corp. plant at Moss Landing, the job being done by the company and possibly to work two shifts to speed completion.

In addition, laborers and carpenters, as well as other craftsmen, were called by Younger Bros., Santa Cruz contracting firm, to start a new unit for Purity Stores, on San Luis St. near Lincoln Ave., in Salinas.

A big project expected to get started before long is the new building for the State Department of Employment, at Front and San Luis Sts., Salinas. Plans call for a building of about 8,000 square feet, with a large parking area. Salinas Planning Commission has approved the site.

Are You Registered?

Fish Cannery Dispute Ends After 19 Days

Tentative settlement of the 19-day strike of fish cannery workers in Monterey was reached last week-end when negotiation committees for the union and the Monterey Fish Processors Association came to decision on wages and contract conditions.

Terms of the compromise settlement were not announced in time for publication in this paper and the settlement itself was not effective unless ratified at a special union meeting on Sunday afternoon.

Ratification was expected, however.

Some 2800 cannery workers and 700 AFL fishermen have been idle since the tie-up started on Aug. 1. The fishing fleet was expected to sail Sunday night.

Break in the prolonged dispute came when Hovden Food Products Co., one of the major packing plants and an independent, signed a contract with the Fish Cannery Workers Union and started in operation, employing all help through the union.

The Hovden contract was spread to cover two subsidiaries, Monterey By-Products Co., a stickwater plant, and Del Vista Packing Co., a reduction unit. The Hovden interests took some 500 tons of sardines in one day last week.

Previously the union had gained a contract with Monterey Fish Products Co., also an independent.

Union members were prepared to continue the strike indefinitely and had set the Hovden contract as "rock bottom low," union officials said.

Federal Conciliator Omar Hoskins had been in Monterey to assist the union and employers in their effort to work out a contract settlement.

Teamsters Push Registration Drive in County

House-to-house canvass will be conducted throughout Monterey County next week by more than 100 volunteers, including members of General Teamsters Union 890, under direction of Frederick S. Farr, of the county United Democratic Club, and Peter A. Andrade, secretary of Local 890, in an effort to get all county residents registered as voters.

The registration drive was worked out last week by the union and Democratic group following announcement that many possible voters will lose their franchise for this year unless they register by Sept. 14.

Plans call for a survey along with the canvass of the county to show sections where voter registration is the poorest. The canvassers will check on the adults in a household to determine if they are registered, then direct them to the nearest registrar of voters with a request that non-registrants register at once.

and foresight" of county and city officials in requesting the low-cost housing program in the county.

Design and construction plans for the low-rent housing units will be shown during the informal county tour.

June sales of all retail stores mounted to a rate of \$140 billion per year, 4 percent above the May record and 9 percent above a year earlier.

LABOR DAY MESSAGE

By C. J. HAGGERTY, Secretary California State Federation of Labor

Labor Day in 1950 finds America once more at war with the powers of international banditry.

The national security demands that all of the productive elements of American life devote their total, unselfish efforts toward victory in the Korean theatre.

From the very moment of Communist aggression in Korea, the American Federation of Labor was committed by philosophy and fact to the cause of this nation. We have never tolerated divided loyalties within our organization. We have unceasingly opposed the agents of Soviet Russia who sought to use the organized labor movement of America as a mere instrument for Communist expansion. Thus, we harbor no Soviet fifth column. Thus, we shelter no traitors who would sabotage



and slaughter the American military personnel now fighting in Korea.

The philosophy of free American labor also dictates that we resist the callous profiteer who would exploit the war effort with a brutal disregard for those who are giving blood, and limb, and life on the Korean peninsula.

The traditional leaders of American reaction have already begun their campaign for soaring prices and frozen wages. They are blind to any need for moral responsibility. They see only the chance for greater and wider wealth. They see only the horizons of higher commercial gain. We must continue to resist, we must continue to challenge this wretched segment of American business which wields an unholy influence among all too many Congressmen.

There is today a grim necessity for responsible, enlightened men in public life. The American Federation of Labor, through Labor's League for Political Education, is pledged to the election of mature, vigorous liberals at every level of government.

Thus, if we would fully serve America in the present crisis we must persist in our political mission, seeking always to elect those who serve the common good, and rejecting always those who are the lackeys and tools of corporate wealth.

Additionally, our pledge of total labor participation requires that we share in the whole of civilian planning. We deserve and are entitled to membership on all civilian bodies established for the domestic war function.

The crisis also points to the cry of unorganized workers for the benefits and progress which have come to millions through the organized labor movement. Industrial expansion should inspire an intense organizational campaign this year of the Gompers Centennial in which the American Federation of Labor hopes to achieve one million new members.

We bear grave obligations in 1950. We are charged with the efficiency of war production, and we carry also on our shoulders the aspirations of the largest free labor organization the world has ever known. Free labor must and shall answer the challenge of the times.

Register Now

The Natl. Industrial Conference Board reported that 75% of 163 manufacturing companies surveyed believe 1950 profits will be as good as in 1949 or better.

FACTS IN POLITICS

What's needed for a victory of labor endorsed candidates in November?

Registration of 16 to 18 per cent more of the eligible voters is the immediate need. Records show we are short of registered voters and that on the whole those not registered are from among the working people.

Can it be done? It sure can!

You see, we only had a total registration of 68 per cent of the potential voters for the California June primaries. Not very good, was it? No, but we have done better and we can do it again.

When bellies were emptier in 1934, California had a registration of 85% of its potential voters for that off-year election. In 1938 (remember the slump in '37), it went up to 86%, then it dropped to 78% in 1942 and 73% in 1946.

Now in this off-year election we need to get back to that 1934-38 record. If we don't labor may find itself back where it was before those labor victories of the '30s.

To do your part (1) be sure you are registered, (2) be sure your family is registered, and (3) urge your friends, relatives and fellow workers to register. Then start keeping an eye on the real issues between now and November.

Boles To Attend Two Conventions

Bertha A. Boles, secretary of Salinas Culinary Alliance 467, will attend two coming conventions in Santa Barbara, that of the State Council of Culinary Workers and Bartenders, starting Oct. 6, and that of the State Federation of Labor, starting Oct. 9.

Local 467 is planning a sick and welfare plan as soon as details can be worked out, Mrs. Boles said. Need was shown in the recent illness of Helen Riggins, a waitress at Tiny's, whose operation costs were paid by the union. In this case an assessment was voted for the emergency. Miss Riggins is showing improvement now, Mrs. Boles said.

Donation of \$25 to the fund to send underprivileged children to the recent Shrine Circus was announced also by Mrs. Boles.

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Danbury Hatters' Case Was Heavy Blow To Labor

Washington.—“Danbury Hatters Resist Wage Cuts, Re-
new Agreements”, read the headline in the July 15 issue of
The Hat Worker. Which brings to mind one of the famous
labor stories of American history—The Danbury Hatters
Case.

That was the one in which the U. S. Supreme Court so
mangled the Sherman anti-trust act that the homes of 186
members of the union were
saved from foreclosure only
because American labor ral-
lied to raise the fine of \$252-
130 finally levied against the
union and individual union
members.

The legal fight lasted 10 years,
and for most of that time the
homes and bank accounts of 248
union members were tied up by
court order.

The final decision, applying to
labor, the laws regulating property
rights, led to agitation by unions
for legislation making a distinction
between human rights and prop-
erty rights. The Clayton act was
the result.

The United Hatters of North
America in 1901 tried to organize
the Danbury, Conn. shop of Diet-
rich E. Loewe and Martin Fuchs.
Loewe turned the union down, and
a strike was called July 25, 1902.
Loewe was ready. He had been
promised \$20,000 aid by other non-
union hat makers, led by C. H.
Merritt. The latter's son, Walter
Gordon Merritt, was Loewe's at-
torney.

The union put Loewe on its un-
fair list. It sent organizers to
Loewe's customers, telling them if
they handled Loewe's goods, they'd
go on the unfair list too. The
American Federation of Labor put
Loewe on its “we don't patronize
list”, and the union put out cir-
culars describing the working con-
ditions and pay at the plant. (Loewe
paid \$13 for a 12 to 15 hour day.
Union shops then paid \$22 to \$24
for an 8-hour day).

The American Anti-Boycott As-
sociation, newly organized by Dan-
iel Davenport, an attorney, prom-
ised Loewe funds if he pressed the
case. Davenport wanted a legal
decision that boycotts were illegal
under the Sherman act, and that
union members were individually
liable for damages. And that's what
the final decision was.

Young Merritt first checked on
what union members owned homes
or had bank accounts. Then he
sued in the state courts, charging
conspiracy, and asking \$100,000
damages; and in the U. S. District
Court, charging violation of the
Sherman act, and asking \$240,000
damages. At the same time, he had
the homes and bank accounts of
248 union members attached.

The first U. S. District court de-
cision was for the union. Loewe ap-
pealed to the U. S. Circuit Court.
The latter court asked the U. S.
Supreme Court for guidance, since
the case was a novel interpretation
of the Sherman act. The case was
argued before the Supreme Court
late in 1907, with the AFL filing a
brief as “a friend of the court”.

The company argued the union
and the AFL were engaged in a
conspiracy to restrain interstate
trade. Chief Justice Melville W.
Fuller agreed, in a decision Feb. 3,
1908, reversed the lower court, and
remanded the case to the Circuit
Court.

Twenty months later, the case
was argued. Young Merritt this
time argued the Supreme Court
ruling meant that not only every
member of the Hatters' union, but
every member of the AFL could
be held liable for the actions of
their officers. Merritt called the
AFL “a great engine of destruc-
tion.”

The union's lawyers argued this
was a plot by the Anti-Boycott
Association to ruin not only the
Hatters' union but the entire or-
ganized labor movement. They ar-
gued against making individual
union members responsible.

After a four-month trial, when
the judge told the jury their only
problem was the amount of dam-
ages to fix, the jury awarded \$74-
000 damages. With the triple-dam-
age clause of the Sherman act, and
the costs and attorney's fees, this
came to \$223,000.

The union appealed and won, the
judgment was reversed, and a new
trial ordered. The union lost, and
this time the damages were set at
\$252,130. The union again appealed,
and lost. So the union then ap-
pealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes,
on Jan. 5, 1915, handed down the
decision. The union was guilty of
combination and conspiracy; the
individual union members were
jointly liable.

Loewe's company demanded pay-
ment and started to foreclose on
the homes of 186 union members.
The AFL appealed to the entire
labor movement, asking for dona-
tions of an hour's pay on “Hatters'
Day”. America's workers came
through, and the 186 homes were
saved.

Meanwhile, Samuel Gompers,
AFL head, was campaigning for
repeal or amendment of the Sher-
man act. Passage of the Clayton
act, in October 1914, was the re-
sult.

Says Elias Lieberman in his
book “Unions Before the Bar”,
about the Danbury Hatters case:

“Thus, the Sherman act, which
came into being as a result of the
mounting resentment against busi-
ness monopolies—the law that was
designed as a protective measure
for the small businessman against
the destructive methods of the
combinations of big business—was
now applied by the courts against
labor unions. The law that was de-
signed primarily to curb the evils
of massed capital and the accom-
panying concentration of economic
power was now directed against
organizations of workers who were
not involved in business or com-
merce at all.”

Loewe collected his pound of
flesh, but his business went to pot,
and in 1927 the manufacturers had
to raise a fund to help him. He
lived on others' kindness the last
years of his life. And in 1947, his
grandson was working in a hat
factory. And he was a member of
the Hatters' Union.

Total assets of the Ford Motor
Co. in 1949 rose to \$1,343,349,253.
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In Union Circles

Mary Roberts, office secretary
of Monterey's Culinary-Bartender
Union 483, was on her vacation
this week with her husband, who is
a member of Butchers Union 506.
The destination was not announced.

J. B. McGinley, business agent of
Laborers Union 272 of Salinas, in-
formed friends last week that he
plans to enter a Salinas hospital
on September 6 for a minor opera-
tion. He is expected to be off the
job for several weeks.

Retail Clerks Union 839 of Mon-
terey County purchased \$25 worth
of tickets recently to send under-
privileged children to the Shrine
Circus in Salinas, officials an-
nounced.

Next meeting of the Monterey
Bay Area District Council of Car-
penters will be held in Salinas on
Tuesday, September 12. Business
Agent Harvey Baldwin, of Salinas
Carpenters Union 925 which is host
to the gathering, said place for the
dinner meeting has not been de-
cided.

George L. Rice, Democratic can-
didate for State Assembly here,
said members of labor unions can
help him most just now by making
sure that they, the adult members
of their families, and their friends
are registered voters. Registration
closes September 14.

E. BAY CONTRACT LET

The award of a half-million dol-
lar contract for construction of
sludge digestion tanks and a con-
trol building for the Sewage Dis-
posal Project of Special District
No. 1 of the East Bay Municipal
Utility District has been announced
by Thomas S. Neilson, Director of
the District.

Low bidder for the project was
Stolte, Early and Harrelson, at
\$591,446.

The disposal system, which will
serve the six Alameda County
cities of Oakland, Berkeley, Ala-
ameda, Albany, Emeryville and
Piedmont, consists of 21 miles of
interceptor sewers, a primary
treatment plant, and a 9,100 foot
outfall sewer which will carry the
processed effluent to a point east
of Yerba Buena Island—south of
the San Francisco-Oakland Bay
Bridge, more than a mile out in
the deep waters of the Bay.

Construction work on the total
project is now at the half-way
point, and present schedules call
for completion by July of 1951,
according to Neilson.

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BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633. Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove. Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina; phone Mont. 2-3002. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, Salinas office, 2/4 East Alisal, phone 2-1603; Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

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LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at 8 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 5810, office 8939. Sec., J. F. Matos, 1027 10th, phone 8/11. Bus. Agt., J. B. McKinley, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6/11.

LATHERS 122—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Roy R. Benge, Hilby St., Monterey. Sec., Ronald Hodges, 612 Wilson St., Salinas, phone 2-2906. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, office 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 2-1603.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 258—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p. m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacHossie, 59-1st Ave. Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA. 1-3336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6209.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday; Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p. m. Pres., Alex Day, res. 611 Doss Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wren St., phone Salinas 9494.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Walter Ebel, 530 Park St., phone 2-2984. Rec. Sec., L. Wendelkin, 1115 Juanita Blvd. Fin. Sec. and B. A., Peter A. Greco, 417 Lincoln Ave. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets 4th Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray T. Jones, 146 Pine St., phone 5530. Sec., C. R. Pendergrass, 210 Dennis, phone 2-1553. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, office, 117 Pajaro, phone 2-1603.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m.; (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Carl Littvin; Fin. and Rec. Sec., John W. Drew; Bus. Agt., E. R. Arbuckle. Office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Wednesday, Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., J. H. Fischer, 12B Mercer Way, Sec. H. C. Schielke, 636 El Camino Real No., phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec.-Treas., Robert P. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Charles Smith, Box 703, Monterey. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garold F. Miller, 631 Beach St., Salinas, phone 2-3366. Office, 6 W. Gabilan St., Room 1, phone 4938.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Donald King, 106 Irving, Monterey, phone 3014; Sec.-Treas., John Murphy, 616 Elm St., Rt. 1, Monterey.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey, Hawthorne and Prescott streets, and at Salinas at Carpenters Hall, 1422 N. Main St., and at Watsonville and Santa Cruz. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., R. W. Beckenhower, Box 815, Watsonville; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 6744.

STATE COUNTY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call. Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West St., Salinas; Sec.-Treas., W. P. Karich, 20 Natividad Rd., Salinas, phone 2-2691.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20618—Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays, Firemen's Hall at 8 p. m. Pres., Frank Hughes, Spreckels. Sec.-Treas., Robert S. MacRossie, Spreckels, phone 3064. Rec. Sec., Louis Ferreira.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Sec. Fred Clayton, 70 Robley Road, Corral de Tierra, Salinas, Phone 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets 1st Tuesday every month at 9:30 a.m. at Watsonville Labor Temple. Pres., Geo. Smith, 1122 Garner St., Salinas; Bus. Agt., James Wilson, 228 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, phone 1216; Sec., Dave Green, P.O. Box 584, Watsonville, phone Watsonville 757.

TYPOGRAPHICAL 543—Meets last Sunday of month alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., D. R. Harrison. Sec.-Treas., A. C. Davis, 109 Prospect St., Watsonville, phone 3591.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS 890—Meets 2nd Tuesday at Salinas High Auditorium, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt, Sec., Peter A. Andrade; Bus. Agt., Wm. G. Kenyon, phone 2-0497. Office, 274 E. Alisal St., Salinas, phone 5743.

Strength

Some people still try to tell us that only a rugged individualist will ever get ahead in the United States. They try to make us believe that a union is something foreign, something that doesn't fit into the American way of life.

These doubting Thomases always seem to overlook the fact that our country was founded as a union of States, that union and a feeling of brotherhood among the settlers made life bearable in the early years of our country.

It was that great New England preacher, poet and philosopher, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow who put this American feeling into words. In his famous poem, Hiawatha, he wrote:

"All your strength is in your union.
All your danger is in discord;
Therefore, be at peace henceforward,
And as brothers live together."
We think that's a pretty good answer for the rugged individualists who think we can live without the union.

Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co. plans to produce farm tractors and combines at a plant near Stamford, England, beginning in September. It is the company's first venture in direct manufacturing abroad.

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LINOLEUM LAYERS ELECT CHAIRMAN, PLAN ORGANIZING

A new chairman and recording secretary for the Linoleum Layers Division of Painters Union 1104 of Salinas have been elected and plans have been laid for a comprehensive organizing campaign in the union's jurisdiction, Business Agent Peter N. Greco announced last weekend.

Elected chairman of the division was Kenneth Smith and the new recording secretary is Morton Barr. The division meets on the third Tuesday of each month, Greco added.

Co-operation of all building tradesmen in the Salinas area was requested with the new organizational campaign.

Members of all other unions employed in any capacity on any construction job are requested to determine if the linoleum layer, the carpet layer, or the soft tile worker belongs to Local 1104.

Everything Set For Labor Dance

Arrangements were completed last week for the Labor Day Dance to be given by the Monterey County Central Labor Union on Saturday night, September 2, at the Bird's Nest, at Salinas Airport, according to labor council Secretary Alfred J. Clark.

The council's trustees, Randolph Fenchel, Lillian Johnson and Robert Shinn, are committee members in charge of the public dance.

Advance sale of tickets for the event indicate a good attendance, Clark added.

Herzog Renamed NLRB Chairman

Washington.—A second 5-year term as chairman of the NLRB has been offered to Paul M. Herzog by President Truman. In a letter to Herzog, Truman said he knew the NLRB chairman wanted to resign but he asked him to stay because "the Korean crisis is with us and is sure to bring up many problems." The appointment is now before the Senate labor committee.

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EDITORIALS

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER

The very last few days remaining for voters to get registered for the most important election that has been held since this nation was founded are steadily ticking into eternity and when the last day slips by you will either be a functioning citizen of this state and nation, who is in line to perform your sacred duty of voting Nov. 7 or, if you are not registered, you will have simply made a nonentity and a nobody of yourself by throwing away your right to vote through sheer neglect.

There is absolutely no excuse for any voter not to be registered. The place where registration is attended to is in the court house of each county. All that any voter needs to do to get registered is to go to the county clerk's office of the county where he or she may be living at any time the court house is open. There are many others who are deputized to register voters but if none of them are convenient to contact the sure place is and always will be your county court house.

Politicians are banking on anywhere from two to three million California voters not getting their votes recorded next November. If one-half to three-fourths of these ordinarily too lazy to vote people shake a leg this year by getting registered now and voting Nov. 7th they can upset the schemes of the politicians.

NOV. 7TH MAY DECIDE

This election may be the deciding one, which will determine if we are to continue as a land of freedom or will be placed in the uncomfortable position of eking out the remainder of our days in a police state, where you are told what you must think and where you will be hounded out of house and home if you happen to have any ideas of your own that you are so incautious as to utter in the presence of a snooper of the thought controllers, who make it their business to get after anybody who disagrees with them.

When the 80th Congress adopted the Taft-Hartley law the real purpose back of it was to destroy trade unions and democracy in the United States by using this law as the entering wedge to eventually establish fascism in the United States. The Taft-Hartley law prohibits unions from spending union money to help elect lawmakers who will be fair to labor but at the same time Taft's friends are free to spend millions to help re-elect him.

Unless we elect a Congress Nov. 7th that will repeal the Taft-Hartley law every union in the United States will stand exposed to destruction any time an anti-labor judge sees fit to fine it out of existence. The same law authorizes a judge to order men who are striking to return to work. To thus force men to work against their will is restoring slavery and repudiating democracy.

LET US ELECT FRIENDS

With all the unpleasant cases resulting from our cross-filing system in this state we nevertheless did succeed in nominating a number of true friends of labor in our recent primary election. Outstanding among these are James Roosevelt for Governor, "Pat" Brown for Attorney General, Helen Gahagan Douglas for United States Senator and a number of candidates for Congress, who were all nominated on the democratic ticket. In California the republican machine is decidedly anti-labor and nearly all its leading candidates are reactionary, anti-labor republicans, who are either lined up for the Taft-Hartley law as it is or some amended form of it which will be even worse than the Taft-Hartley law.

Nobody is going to be elected this year unless enough people go to bat to pile up enough votes to put the friends of labor over. It is up to the men and women of labor to wage the kind of an aggressive fight that will win the important contest which remains as yet undecided. Unless labor elects their candidates for governor and Congress the workers of California are likely to pay dearly for their failure so to do during the years that lie ahead. Remember that the only way to elect anybody is to pile up enough votes to win. Labor has enough votes but votes don't count unless they are cast.

When a wage increase is granted it affects and benefits the comparatively few employees of the firm that granted the wage increase, but when the price of a commodity is upped it affects every consumer in the whole United States, who is a buyer of the article involved.

JOKES, Etc.

A Washington matron once boasted she could make President Coolidge talk. Cornering him at a dinner, she sought to make good her boast.

"Oh, Mr. President," she said, trying to disarm him with frankness, "I have made a bet that I can make you say at least three words."

"You lose," Coolidge replied.

Novice (at bridge party): You're an expert at bridge, Mr. Jones. How would you have played that last hand of mine?

Mr. Jones: Under an assumed name.

Atlas could never have carried the World had he fixed his thoughts on the size of it.

The guests at a children's party were being arranged in a group for a flashlight photograph. Seeing one little fellow who appeared rather awed, the photographer spoke to him kindly.

"Cheer up, sonny," he said. "Smile at the little girl over here."

"Why should I?" he asked indignantly. "She's my sister."

Little boy (to bride at wedding reception): "You don't look nearly as tired as I thought you would."

Bride: "Don't I? Why did you think I should look tired?"

"Well, I heard someone say you had been running after Mr. Black for months and months."

Alfred: "Why does Bertram only send one flower a day to Ethel?"

Tom: "He's saying it with flowers, and he stutters."

Death cannot come untimely to him who is fit to die.—Milman.

The nurse in a Scotch village was trying to persuade old Mary to take some liquid food.

"Will you have some beef tea, Mary?" she asked.

"Na," replied Mary, "I couldna tak' it."

"Would you like some hot milk?"

"Na, I couldna tak' it."

"Well, what about a glass of toddy?"

"Aye," perked up the invalid. "Mak' it strong and mak' me tak' it."

The other day I had one of the usual rows with the wife.

"All right, I'll show you!" I told her. "I'll commit suicide."

"All right," she said, "but don't forget to turn off the gas when you're finished."

Patient (regaining consciousness after operation): "Why are all the blinds drawn doctor?"

Doc: "Well, there's a fire across the street, and I didn't want you to wake up and think the operation was a failure."

New Employer: "Are you familiar with mules?"

Stableman: "No, sir, ah knows 'em too well to get familiar."

It is right to be contented with what we have; Never with what we are.—Mackintosh.

A tramp asked the owner of a circus for a job. He was told that he could become a lion tamer and that all he had to do was to walk into the cage and make the lions eat out of his hand.

He was assured that the secret was in forcing the lions to believe he was not afraid of them.

"No," said the tramp, "I don't think I'll take the job. I couldn't be so deceitful."

"I'm sorry, Madam," said the attendant at the movie, "but you can't take the dog into the theatre."

"How absurd!" protested the woman. "What harm can pictures do a little dog like this?"

"Good heavens, McPherson, you have holed in one!"

"Aye! it saves wear and tear on the ball."

—And then there was the cross-eyed professor who had no control over his pupils. That's it. See you next week.

- News and Views of Women -

TOWEL RACK AIDS STORAGE SPACE

There are any number of ways to add storage space by use of a simple towel rack.

Place one behind the door of your entrance hall, or on the inside of the hall closet. Hang umbrellas over it. Or place one inside the door of your broom closet. It will keep brooms and mops in fine order. Just stick the handle under the rack and the broom will stay upright in place.

Encourage neatness in your child by placing a rack on the footboard of his bed. It will provide a convenient place for him to hang his overnight things.

Several racks spaced a few inches apart will provide excellent storage for cumbersome things seldom used. Put them on the ceiling of the kitchen closet. Even a cumbersome ironing board can be slid through them.

CRAYON MARKS

You can remove crayon marks on walls by dipping a clean, damp cloth into borax and wipe over the soiled spots. To remove grease spots on wallpaper, try covering the spot with a paste made of dry starch and naphtha. When the paste has dried, gently brush away the starch.

NEWSPAPER PRINT BLOUSES

Newest thing in print blouses is the newspaper print cotton. It makes for conversation no matter where you are.

GARDENS ON WHEELS

The large and varied array of fresh fruits and vegetables in grocery stores is taken as a matter of course by most housewives. Few realize the tremendous shipping movement which makes this supply possible. About a million carloads of fresh fruits and vegetables travel each year in this country, and the supply shipped by motor truck is just as large.

Every state receives shipments from at least either other states, and half the states normally receive shipments from 25 to 40 other states.

NEW KITCHEN GADGET

A roll cutter is a helpful new gadget in your kitchen. It will cut a clover leaf roll or a fan tail roll by merely a twist of the wrist. It can be found in most kitchenware departments in plastic for a small sum.

CREAMED PEAS WITH ONION RINGS

This is a nice vegetable to accompany your ham.

1 pkg. frozen peas, ½ cup thinly sliced onion rings, ½ cup salted boiling water, ¼ cup liquid from onions and peas, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 tablespoon flour, dash of salt, pepper and nutmeg, 1 tablespoon diced pimento, ½ cup heavy cream.

Cook onion rings in boiling salted water 8 minutes. Add peas and cook until tender. Drain off liquid and save ¼ cup. Melt butter, add flour, seasonings, pimento, cream and liquid from vegetables, cook until right consistency, stirring constantly, then add the peas and onion rings to sauce. Reheat and serve.

TOPPERS

Short toppers for spring outnumber full length coats two to one. Hip length is the average of the shortie, but styles vary—some are flared and some are boxy. Some are bloused and belted at the waist. Some cardigan treatment of the neckline is being used, but the majority of the shorties are notched-collar types.

In the field of full line coats they are mostly fitted and cut of faille, bengaline or fine tweeds, although you can always find the straight classic style front with belted back.

White pique collars and cuffs lend a spring-like touch to long coats and suits.

CHEMISE

Well, the chemise is back again, but far different from the shapeless thing of the 20's. Its short length makes it convenient to wear with the short narrow slashed skirts. Now it comes in nylon and even in a strapless version, boned to ediminate wearing a brassiere.

There is a new combination petticoat and panty, it's both or either, and it's called a Petti-kilt. It's just the thing to wear under your sheath-like gowns and suits with slit hems.

COLOR IN THE SCHOOL ROOM

A woman running for school board member in a southeastern state has some very progressive ideas about schools. She advances the theory that since many students spend more time in the classroom and in student activities than they do at home, it is most important that schools be made more attractive.

She believes in the value of color psychology and that pastel colors, costing no more than the usual white paint, should be used, and that school furniture should be adapted to the needs of individual students.

WOMEN'S PLACE IN AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT

Women have a bigger voice in the new Australian Parliament than in any previous government, according to a release from Australia. Four women are Senators and one a Cabinet Minister.

Gompers Programs For Local Radio

Two recorded radio programs devoted to Samuel Gompers are now being made available to AFL groups by the Samuel Gompers Centennial Committee for use on local radio stations.

One of these, "Turning Point", is a 13-minute dramatic sketch of Gompers' life, featuring Edward Arnold, motion picture star and radio actor, as Gompers. Preceded by a message from AFL President William Green, "Turning Point" emphasizes the idealistic motivation for the career of the Federation's Founder.

The other recording is a 13-minute address on Gompers' achievements and democratic philosophy by Vice President Matthew Woll, chairman of the centennial committee.

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Well Armed for Fair



Wholesome Shirley Gooch, 4-H club member from Fair Oaks, Calif., readies agricultural products for the California State Fair in Sacramento, August 31 through September 10. Future Farmers of America will exhibit the first five days of Fair and 4-H clubs the final five days.

Progress Reported Toward Labor Unity

Chicago.—Progress is being made toward labor unity. AFL President William Green told the Executive Council that negotiations for reaffiliation of the International Association of Machinists were proceeding successfully.

These negotiations began last January when Machinists President A. J. Hayes headed a delegation to confer with AFL Council members at their Miami meeting.

In another move toward effecting organic unity of the AFL and Congress of Industrial Organizations, the Executive Council enlarged AFL membership on the AFL-CIO unity committee by six members.

The additional AFL representatives are President William Green, Secretary-Treasurer Geo. Meany, Vice Presidents William Hutcheson, David Dubinsky, Matthew Woll and Harry C. Bates.

The other members, selected last May and who held two meetings with CIO representatives, are Vice Presidents Daniel J. Tobin, Charles J. MacGowan and Dan W. Tracy.

No date has been set for resumption of the unity talks.

In other actions before concluding its summer meeting, the council:

1. Urged all Americans to refrain from signing the Communist-sponsored Stockholm peace petition.
2. Called on Congress to rescind the postal service cuts of last April and restore first class delivery service.
3. Completed work on its annual report and adjourned to meet at Houston on Sept. 17, day before the opening of the 69th convention.

T-H REPEAL WOULD SPEED PRODUCTION

"I say with full confidence that half the production battle would be won in advance with action by Congress now to repeal the Taft-Hartley Act and replace it with a fair and just law."

—AFL President William Green in a speech August 1 before the New York State Federation of Labor convention in New York City.

Urge Hiring Cripples To Help Arm Nation

Washington.—President Truman said the employment of physically handicapped workers is essential to strengthening the nation to win the war in Korea and prepare for all-out defense.

AFL representatives head the President's appeal delivered to the sixth annual meeting of the President's Committee on National Employment of the Physically Handicapped Week.

Mr. Truman said in part: "I urge this committee to redouble its efforts to place before all the employers of this nation, and all the groups concerned with employment, the very simple message that the physically handicapped can and should be employed. Only in this way can we enable the handicapped to play their full part in strengthening our nation."

"Every year more groups and more individuals are participating in this great campaign to employ the physically handicapped. I have just signed the proclamation designating the week beginning Oct. 1 as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week. The observance of that week is vitally important, but our campaign is not just a one-week affair. While our public appeal will be concentrated in that week, the job of securing employment for the handicapped has now become a year-round effort."

"This problem of the physically handicapped is a tremendous one. We must attack it in two ways."

"First, we must do everything we can to prevent disabling accidents and diseases."

"Second, we must improve our skills and increase our efforts for rehabilitating those who are disabled."

How Not To Do It!

Speak of your Union as "their" Union.

Don't pay your dues or if you do, send them in by a brother member.

Speak evil of the Union whenever there is an opportunity.

Invite a fellow to join the Union and not be there to welcome him.

Be sure to tell everybody you meet that you opposed the action of the Union.

Threaten to leave the Union or disobey its laws if it doesn't do just as you desire.

Never attend a meeting except to find fault, or on a night when there is no other place for you to go.

Be sure to get drunk on meeting nights so that you may disturb the meeting, and then blame the President for not maintaining order.

Always hint or insinuate that those who do the hard work for your Union are a little cracked, or after an office or glory of some kind. At the same time be sure that you don't do any work, for you may be accused the same way.

Be sure to never say a good thing of Union officers and members who work for the Union while you are in a tavern, in a theater, or in bed.

Try to blacken the character of every member who is building up the Union, be sure to take all the benefits the Union provides as a matter of course; at the same time point to yourself as a model Union member.

When you have a personal spite for another member save up your wrath until meeting night and then tell the brother what you think of him, for you know the other members will not allow the brother to strike you.

After you have done all these things, then go home and write your epitaph in the family album after this style: "I have reaped where I have not sown; I have gathered where I have not sown; I have enjoyed the benefits which I had no part in making; I have hung on to the coat-tail of the great Union movement and done all I could to retard its progress; I have used the holy name of Unionism in crucifying the cause; I am a Judas and a coward."

Profits in the first quarter of 1950 were 3 percent to 4 percent above the 1949 period.

U. S. Must Act to Halt Price Rise Already 15 Percent Above June

Chicago.—Following is the text of the AFL Executive Council statement on the national emergency created by the Korean war, adopted Aug. 10:

The unwarrantable and unjustified invasion of South Korea by Soviet Russia cannot be regarded as an isolated incident.

Communist aggressors may start another conflict at a number of key points whenever their leaders determine the time is opportune. Indeed Soviet Russia and her satellites would not hesitate to attack the United States directly if they believed they could do so successfully.

Our national program and that of free democratic nations of the world must therefore be sufficiently broad and inclusive to meet any and all of these contingencies. It cannot and must not be confined merely to the immediate needs of the present situation in Korea.

When the United States undertook its defense program in 1939, we had idle factories, unemployed workers and copious supplies of materials available. Today, with peacetime industrial production at an all-time peak, defense orders for new equipment cannot be filled without curtailing a substantial portion of our going national economy.

Our foreign aid program is an integral part of our national and free world defense program. The ECA and Point Four programs supplement our defense effort and are equally essential to combat the Communist threat to world peace. They cannot be curtailed without inviting danger to ourselves and the free world.

These considerations lead to the inescapable conclusion: We can no longer safely continue on a "business as usual" basis. We must mobilize for defense. We must increase our production and adjust our economy to meet our needs and those of the free nations of the world.

There is no painless way to make the necessary changes in our national economy. The defense program initiated has already precipitated a wave of speculative buying, unjustified price increases, hoarding, and a serious threat of runaway inflation. Prices of basic commodities have advanced 15 percent since June 23.

These trends and developments cannot continue without serious consequences to the well being of all our people. It is evident an un-

Syphilis Cure

New and rapid cures for syphilis are ending a horrible scourge and killer of mankind. If the disease is discovered and treated in its early stages it can be no more troublesome than any common infection, says the U.S. Public Health Service.

The use of penicillin has made the cure of syphilis a matter of days. Moreover, the treatment is almost always effective, the Health Service reports. Until 1943, syphilis was treated with arsenic and bismuth. This treatment took 18 months or longer, and was dangerous and not always effective.

Only a competent physician can determine whether or not a person has syphilis. But here is what the Public Health Service says are warning signs:

There may be a small sore where the germ entered the body. This usually occurs around one of the body openings.

After the sore disappears an infected person may experience either a body rash, a persistent sore throat, a constant headache and fever, or a patchy baldness.

These outside danger signs may go away without treatment. But don't let this fool you, the Health Service cautions. The syphilis germ is still in your blood, and has just begun its harmful work.

Go at once to a doctor or a clinic if you suspect syphilis. No quack or store medicine will help. It is no shame to have contracted the disease, but it is deadly and unfair to others to live with it.

Are you registered?

checked inflation can and will wreck our defense program. It can only help those who wish to weaken and destroy our order and institutions. We must deal with this problem promptly and realistically. To meet this situation the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor offers the following program:

1.—Prices—Price controls should be put into effect as soon as possible at levels prevailing during the month of June preceding the outbreak of the Korean war.

2.—Taxes—Taxes must be increased, on a basis reflecting a genuine equality of sacrifice. There must be an effective excess profits tax because the best way of combating inflation is to take the profits out of profiteering. Tax loopholes should be closed, estate and gift taxes should be strengthened. Congress should enact a progressive schedule of income tax rates, in accordance with ability to pay, as recommended to the Senate Finance Committee by the tax committee of the American Federation of Labor.

3.—Wages—We realize that inevitably wage controls may become necessary. However, we would point out that any attempt to freeze wages at present wages would do an irreparable injury to the economy and deal unfairly and unjustly with the wage earners of our land. Wages have already fallen far behind the rising cost of living. Wages, therefore, must be permitted to rise through the process of collective bargaining and otherwise, to meet these higher living costs and to establish a basis of parity. Wage adjustments must embrace as well compensation for increased productivity and in addition machinery must be provided for the adjustment of labor disputes and adjustment of grievances and labor must be adequately represented on such boards or commissions.

4. Manpower and material controls—The President should be given standby power to ration consumer goods whenever shortages develop and to regulate heavy industries and allocate scarce materials so that defense needs will have adequate priorities.

5. Manpower—There is no need for compulsory and rigid manpower controls. The problem of providing sufficient trained workers to man defense industries can be best solved by the voluntary co-operation of labor, management and government representatives. Any attempt to draft workers for jobs in private industry, operating for private profit, will defeat itself and prove disastrous to the war effort.

The foregoing program is not an easy one for the American people to take, especially as there is no present indication as to when the defense emergency will terminate. However, we are convinced that the American people are ready to make every necessary sacrifice to prevent a third World War. And we are certain that the only way to prevent such a war is to achieve an overwhelming superiority in armed strength on the part of the democratic nations of the world over the forces of Communist aggressors.

In this national and world emergency in order that labor may exert its full influence in maintaining peaceful bargaining relations with employers, enhance production and in all other ways render service to our national government it is important that the Taft-Hartley law with its unfair and unjustified restrictions upon trade union activities be annulled. Repeal of this obnoxious and undemocratic restrictive law is important and essential if we are to advance and further real and effective labor-management cooperation in this emergency.

VAN DRIVERS GO ON STRIKE

Van and storage drivers in Salinas and Monterey areas were on strike last week in a dispute over a new contract, ten firms being picketed and some 50 drivers idle, Secretary Peter A. Andrade of General Teamsters Union 890 reported.

One firm, the Cota Transfer Co. of Monterey, was operating, having signed the union's new contract, it was reported.

Details of the dispute were not announced but Andrade said it was a question of "wages, hours and conditions."

Many Enjoy Big Barbecue Of Culinary

A good crowd had a great time at the annual barbecue and picnic of Culinary Alliance 467 of Salinas last week, the affair held at the gun club grounds with employers as well as members invited, Union Secretary Bertha A. Boles announced.

International Representative C. T. McDonough of the craft was among guests, who also included Secretaries Mildred Rowe and Hazel K. Shireman of Santa Cruz County Culinary-Bartenders 345 and Secretary Al Clark, of Salinas Bartenders 545.

The committee of 15 members, headed by Union President Al Meek, was praised for its work in preparing and staging the picnic. Games and entertainment were provided.

Greco Checks Roberts Job

Peter Greco, financial secretary and business agent of Salinas Painters Union 1104, was in San Luis Obispo and at the Fort Roberts renovation project last weekend to check on certain details in connection with the re-painting of the Army encampment, which will be occupied by troops shortly.

He said that he visited with Business Agent Donald Nelson of the San Luis Obispo Painters Union and discussed various problems affecting that union and Local 1104 in connection with the Fort Roberts project, which laps over into jurisdictional area of both unions.

Electricians Busy at Fort

Members of Electrical Workers Union 243 of Salinas were to be sent to Fort Roberts, which the Army is reactivating, for check on wiring and to make new installations, Business Agent Karl Ozols of the union, announced.

Ozols attended an Electrical Workers' Progress Meeting in San Francisco earlier this month, meeting with International President Dan Tracy and International Secretary J. Scott Milne on Pacific Coast problems.

PG&E May Add To Moss Landing

Extension of its construction program as announced by Pacific Gas & Electric Co. may include another major project at Moss Landing, where the firm already has invested \$50,000,000, to make this one of the largest of steam plants in the system.

The electric company is planning the new fifty million-dollar expansion program to meet increasing needs of Northern and Central California. Nearly two years of construction is expected.

Back Up the Labor Press

There now are 10 states which do not have a single city with competing daily papers; 22 states have no Sunday newspaper competition; and 14 corporations owning 13 papers control one-fourth of the daily circulation.

Furthermore, 3,200 weekly papers have gone out of business in the last 30 years.

With the growth of monopoly newspaper ownership, it is essential that trade unionists and other progressive individuals and groups back papers and magazines of their own.

That is the only way they are able to present their message and viewpoint to one another and to the public. — The Typographical Journal.

War scare buying pushed dollar sales of New York city department stores in the week ending July 22 to the highest rise over a corresponding week of the year before since Dec. 25, 1948. The rise was 29 percent.

Helen Douglas Demands Full Mobilization



HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS

The Korean crisis has shown the shocking difference between Helen Gahagan Douglas and Richard Nixon. Both are Representatives from California. Both are candidates for the Senate this year.

If Californians make their choice on the basis of the record, Democrat Helen Douglas is a 10 to 1 favorite. Her record proved her to be top Senate caliber.

Mrs. Douglas is credited with being the leading champion of aid to Korea last Jan. 19. The Korean Aid bill lost by one vote that day. Nixon voted against it. His vote made the difference. Events show how tragic our hesitation was at that point. Intelligence reports show Communist North Korea started mobilizing after that vote failed.

A comparison of every key foreign aid and arms help vote in the last four years shows Mrs. Douglas voted just opposite from pro-Communist Rep. Vito Marcantonio of New York.

Nixon, on the other hand, not only voted Jan. 19 with Marcantonio against economic aid to Korea. He voted with Marcantonio Aug. 18, 1949, to cut \$50 million off the military assistance program which included arms for South Korea.

Union President On Planning Board

Chicago. (LPA). — Stephen M. Bailey, vice president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, has been named to the governing council of the South Side Planning Board, a civic organization working to improve Chicago's South Side.

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Safer Flying Soon With Rescue Plan

MONTREAL, Canada — Camel corps, alpine climbing teams and floating weather reporting stations may in the near future be welded together into a world-wide search and rescue service, bringing greater safety to international air routes.

This unusual combination of desert, mountain and sea facilities, which would be only part of a service for safety in air travel, is envisaged here in a plan outlined by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), a United Nations Specialized Agency.

In a new set of standards and recommended practices, which may come into effect as soon as the end of this year, ICAO proposes a "modest peacetime counterpart" of the search and rescue system which saved the lives of thousands of aviators and passengers in World War II.

The antagonists of the war built up large organizations to save shot-down air crews, which had received so much valuable training that their replacement was difficult. No efforts were spared to pick up friend and foe alike, the former to fight again and the latter to be kept from returning to the enemy.

The peacetime system suggested by ICAO, however, will be less elaborate, with emphasis on economy consistent with reasonable protection for the traveling public. ICAO member states would be called upon to pool their resources and to formulate joint plans for the conduct of search and rescue within their territories.

In most cases it would be sufficient to use public services, such as armies, air forces, navy and police detachments. If they were suitably organized and equipped, they would be able to undertake search and rescue operations when emergencies arose. Only in exceptional circumstances would it be necessary to form units exclusively to undertake this search and rescue activity.

As alerting posts, ICAO proposes to use such existing establishments as outlying telephone exchanges, police stations, railway or cable offices. It would be necessary to establish new alerting posts only in sparsely populated areas and other places where communication systems are not highly developed.

The ICAO plan also describes methods for organizing rescue services and outlines signals to be used by search parties, as well as by survivors. Nations participating in the system would permit immediate entry into their territories for search and rescue equipment or personnel. Aid would be given regardless of nationality of aircraft or survivors.

The proposal also includes rules for indicating the contents of packages to be dropped to survivors. Red would be used for medical supplies, blue for food and water, yellow for blankets and protective clothing and black for miscellaneous.

ous equipment, such as stoves, compasses and cooking utensils. How effective such a world-wide system might be, ICAO officials say, was illustrated in 1947, when an American ship rescued the entire crew and passengers (69) from the flying boat *Bermuda Sky Queen*, which was forced down in the North Atlantic. This ship—the US Coast Guard Cutter *Bibb*—was part of an ICAO-sponsored chain of weather ships.

The new search and rescue plan, ICAO authorities declare, is an important step to enlarge the work done by ICAO for safer and more efficient operation of international air services and it indicates the progress made since international air service first came into being in 1919.

Veterans Group Repudiates State Proposition No. 10

Martinez.—First fruits of the state-wide campaign to defeat Proposition No. 10 were realized on a local level in Richmond recently when the George F. Imbach Post 913 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars went on record as opposing the anti-public low-rent housing measure. Gerould Gill, chairman of the County of Contra Costa, announced.

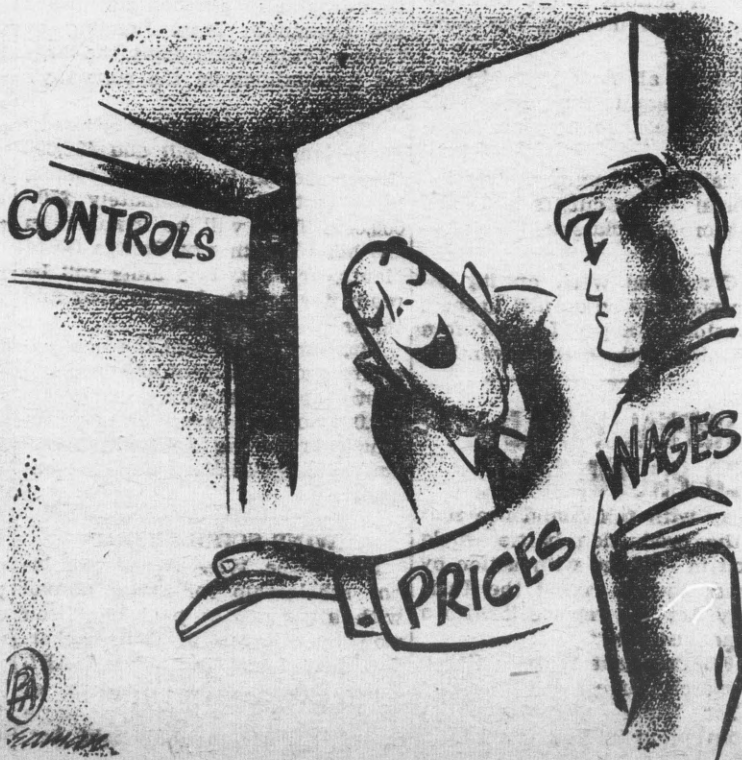
Meeting in Memorial Hall, the VFW pointed out that Proposition No. 10, if adopted, would virtually make erection of any future low-rent housing impossible. All members were urged to vote "No" on the proposal.

This action is in line with recent declarations of opposition to Proposition No. 10 made at the state conventions of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Order of the Purple Heart, and the Disabled American Veterans, Gill stated.

"Contra Costa County's Housing Authority has requested an additional 250 units for slum clearance purposes," Gill said. "The passage of Proposition No. 10 would seriously undermine this program. It would reduce representative government to a farce and force lengthy, costly elections for each proposed project."

Wages paid the average manufacturing worker in June hit a new record of \$1.45 an hour. Average weekly take-home pay was \$58.89.

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BARBERS 896—Meets 3rd Wednesday at Bartenders Hall, 315 Alvarado St., at 8 p.m. Pres., L. L. Taylor, 610 Lighthouse, Pacific Grove; Sec., A. H. Thompson, 391 Prescott St., Monterey, phone 5-4745.

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PAINTERS 272—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, 8 p.m. Pres., Fred Ask, 230 Montecito Ave., phone 5-5864; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., J. L. Bolin, Box 892, Monterey phone Monterey 2-5740. Office phone 5-6744.

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FORM NEW LOCALS

Washington.—Three new local unions of insurance agents have been chartered by the AFL National Federation of Insurance Agents' Council in Tulsa, Okla.; Lewistown, Pa., and Waco, Tex.

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With the great crowd surging by,
To mingle with the common man,
No better or worse than I.

—SILAS H. PERKINS

New Scale Disability Now in Effect

The California Federation of Labor has notified its affiliates that a revised permanent disability rating schedule went into effect, as of July 1, 1950.

Since this is not the schedule recommended by the Federation or the San Francisco Building Trades Council, every worker is urged to bring to the attention of his local union officers any inequity which he may suffer in being rated for permanent disability under the newly revised schedule.

The trades have sought an improved rating schedule for more than two years, and the Industrial Accident Commission which administers the schedule, delay putting the results of its own \$50,000 survey into a new schedule until the unions could make their own study and recommendations.

The Fed letter indicates that these were largely ignored. Just what changes, for the better or worse, which the commission finally made, will be published in this paper at an early date.

Wage boosts averaged 4.3 cents an hour in a sampling of 387 agreements in New York state in the first quarter of 1950.

Yep, Labor Has a Monopoly!

Reproduced below is an article from "The Butcher Workman," official publication of the Amalgamated Butcher Workmen and Meat Cutters of North America. It answers some of the charges that labor is a monopoly, and lists some of the things in which labor holds a monopoly. We suggest that you read the article, and file for further reference.—The Ed.

The charge that organized labor is becoming monopolistic and therefore needs the same type of regulation that is supposed to govern large corporations is ridiculous, though partly true. The monopolistic tendencies of LABOR are becoming terrible. To cite only a few of the things in life over which LABOR exercises a complete monopoly will be interesting.

Labor has a complete monopoly on all the ramshackle houses in the slums of all great cities. Those having only reasonable wealth would consider living in such shacks adominable. Labor MUST live in these slums because of the inadequate wages they receive from greedy, wealthy employers.

Labor has a complete monopoly on every room in the poorhouse of our nation. Labor toils hard to eke out an existence and to accumulate profit for the absentee wealthy owners in industry who own their jobs. Labor is too old to toil after the age of 50, then a very benevolent society gives labor an alms house to share with none other except those who have earned their living by the sweat of their brow and who have been beaten badly by the machine.

Labor has a complete monopoly, when ill, on the wards in too many unkempt city hospitals. The wealthy go to private institutions with trained nurses constantly at their beck and call.

Labor has nearly a complete monopoly on the right to go to war, to fight and die to save the world until the next generation of workers can develop so that another war can be fought and won.

Labor has a complete monopoly to suffer and to die for lack of proper medical attention because of the high fees of professional physicians. A trip to the good doctor's office EVERY DAY at a cost of \$3 a throw strains the purse strings too greatly and so poor Mom just suffers it out and often her reward is a shroud.

Labor has a complete monopoly on job fear and debt; a complete monopoly on a million rattling "tin lizzies" that will be paid for at the end of three years if not attached because a few payments could not be made.

When this giant, LABOR, organized for the purpose of giving more schooling to the children, to keep them out of mines, mills and factories, to give them free textbooks, to give mothers pensions, old age and unemployment insurance, to provide the underprivileged with opportunities to lift their moral, social and intellectual status, then they are supposed to suffer with attempted crucifixion at the hands of modern Pontius Pilates of the ilk of the Daffy Tafts, the Joe Screwballs and the Heartless Hartleys.

The members of organized labor

should not forget that even in adversity they must keep their faces to the sun and must keep their faith in God, with the additional fortification of bigger and stronger unions based upon justice, equality and the brotherhood of man.

Columbia Steel Co. Grows at Pittsburg

Because of the important role steel will play in the nation's defense program, Columbia Steel Company will increase substantially the steel-finishing facilities of its Pittsburg plant, according to Alden G. Roach, president of this West Coast subsidiary of United States Steel.

The new facilities, when completed will enable Columbia Steel to increase its production of both tin mill products and sheets to an annual capacity of approximately 215,000 net tons of sheets and tin plate.

Work will be started as soon as possible, Roach stated, with completion expected by late summer of 1951. An estimated 800 employees will be added to the working forces, he said.

Concurrent with this announcement, another U. S. Steel subsidiary—Geneva Steel Company—reported installation plans for new facilities at its Geneva, Utah, plant for the production of an additional 100,000 net tons of hot rolled steel sheets annually.

When these two programs are completed, Columbia Steel and Geneva Steel will be in a better position to help meet the growing steel needs of the West, company spokesmen said. The two plants will have a combined annual capacity for the production of approximately 640,000 tons of sheet and tin plate products, as well as a large capacity for the production of other steel products in demand on the Pacific Coast.

Issue Is: Who Will Pay for Wars?

It is important for all Americans to understand the issue in the Senate finance committee fight over the tax bill. That issue is this: Who shall pay for this country's wars. Shall the very rich—many of whom gained wealth as a result of war—pay their fair share? Or shall the millions who are not rich carry more than their share of the burden? The Taftites of the Senate committee are making their answer clear. With help from Byrd-Democrats, they bitterly oppose even slight increases in taxes on the rich.—(Peoria, Ill.) Labor Temple News, AFL.

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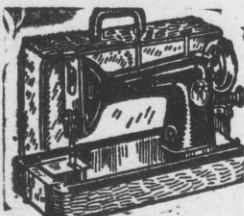
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Labor League Enters Home Stretch in Race for Congress

Just about 5,000 more Democratic voters will carry the day when it comes election next November and put Marion R. Walker in Congress to represent the 11th District, the candidate said at the meeting of Tri-Counties Labor League for Political Education Sunday afternoon at San Luis Obispo.

The Ventura rancher whose vigorous and successful campaign won the Democratic nomination in the primary election last June praised the current drive for 100 per cent registration among unions and advised the L.L.P.E. delegates this is exactly what is needed now.

Representatives of Monterey County L.L.P.E. met with those of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura counties who gathered at Carpenters Hall in San Luis Obispo Sunday. The meeting was conducted by Pres. William Dean of Santa Barbara, with Sec. John Leggieri of Santa Maria also present.

Delegates heard forceful and clear-cut addresses from both Marion R. Walker, candidate for Congress in this district, and George L. Rice of Monterey, candidate for State Assemblyman in the 33rd District, which includes Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties.

Both speakers urged the main step to be taken right now is to complete registration, after which will come the job of seeing that all those registered get to the polls on election day. Meanwhile, goes on always the work of seeing that all these folks are acquainted with the candidates and issues when they do get to the polls next November.

Deputy registrars have been added recently in San Luis Obispo and Santa Maria, Walker reported, and in Santa Barbara, which had only two before, there will now be four. At Ventura a committee has been activated to conduct door-to-door registration.

"The significant thing in this election is to get more people registered," Marion R. Walker pointed out.

"If we register 5,000 more Democrats in this Congressional district, I am confident Mr. Bramblett will be replaced," the labor endorsed candidate declared.

Walker spent three days in Santa Maria last week and said he met a great many new friends. A Democratic League was organized in Santa Maria with 43 charter members last week also.

Many of those now becoming active in the campaign to elect Walker to Congress, main objective of the L.L.P.E. in this district, represent new strength, Walker said, since they were not active in the primary campaign.

"You fellows sitting here are the ones that did the work before the primary," Walker told the labor group. "But these people will be active from here on and will be heard from strongly in November."

Santa Maria Democratic Club has challenged Santa Barbara Democratic Club to a registration contest, and the latter has accepted, the candidate also reported.

The situation throughout the district looks encouraging, Walker said, declaring there is only need now for plenty more of the good work already done. It will take plenty of work from here on, he reminded the union group, since the opposition will increase its efforts and has the advantage of lots of dollars to throw into the fight.

Those dollars can be balanced, Walker believes, with effort and

hard work, spreading the word, which he is confident can bring victory in November.

"Bramblett voted four times against aid to Korea," Walker pointed out, "besides against all other legislation to protect our national security."

The people realize that, he said, and will realize it more as the campaign goes on.

"Make sure the people know the facts," he urged, as a means of fighting and well-heeled opposition. "Let them know they have a chance now to replace do-nothing in Congress with one who will support the administration efforts to stop communistic aggression and advance social legislation."

Previously in the meeting, President William Dean also told the LLPE delegates during analysis of the primary vote that some 5000 more registered Democrats will do the trick, the exact figure lacking being 5400.

George L. Rice followed Marion R. Walker on the floor and declared the latter's advice in general goes also for his campaign for State Assemblyman in the 33rd district. Throughout Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties there is need to register voters, get out the vote and spread the news that the people have a candidate in the coming November election.

There is every reason to feel confident of victory if the work is done, Rice pointed out, but it must be done now.

"The only way to win is to keep punching day after day," the State Assembly candidate said, "Attend as many union meetings as you can, and keep punching. Work like that steadily since 1942 is why we have our Labor League for Political Education today."

"Some organizations are working hard to do the job," Rice declared, urging the need for all out effort now.

"To win a Democratic Assembly we need to win 16 fights in the state, Rice pointed out, reminding his hearers that Democrats elected 25 Assemblymen in the primary, leaving 22 contests to be settled in November. Sixteen wins out of the 22 will do the trick.

In this district Rice pointed out also, labor has one good vote, John B. Cooke of Ventura, already, and although the 33rd district is now in question, it could be settled in November as a good one also, if he is elected.

Reports of other delegates were encouraging also, showing activity throughout the area, but also pointing the need of continued effort if present hopes are to be real wins at the ballot box.

Arrangements were made last week for opening the headquarters in Santa Maria, and the headquarters at Ventura, 468 East Main St., was reopened last week also.

Marion R. Walker will speak Aug. 23 at the Grange and also before the Lions Club in Greenfield, Monterey county, on conservation and water problems.

Plans of Democrats for Marion R. Walker and George L. Rice to establish a rest booth at the Pioneer Days celebration starting Aug. 24 at Paso Robles were reported and were to be investigated by John Leggieri.

Both Marion Walker and George Rice thanked the L.L.P.E. for help and support.

Lawrence Kreinbring reported affiliation of Carpenters 1632 of San Luis Obispo with the Tri-Counties L.L.P.E.

Next meeting of the Tri-Counties Labor League for Political Education will be Sept. 17 at Santa Barbara, in the Labor Temple, and the following session, the last one before election in November, will be held Oct. 15 at Santa Maria.

Since the Oct. 15 meeting at Santa Maria will be the last session before the November election, plans were discussed for special speakers at suggestion of the Santa Maria unions who had a large representation at the meeting last Sunday.

Are You Registered?

Contracts Accepted For Improvements On State Highways

San Benito County—Contract for constructing and extending culverts on FAS 670 at Tesquisquita Slough Overflow and at Fairview Road near Hollister, at an approximate cost of \$7,450. M. H. Anderson, contractor. Accepted Aug. 7, 1950.

Napa County—Contract for widening a bridge on FAS 1165 about one mile northeast of Yountville at an approximate cost of \$11,000. William E. Thomas Construction Co., contractor. Accepted Aug. 8, 1950.

Glenn County—Contract for the construction of bridges on FAS 1117 across Grindstone Creek, 5.9 miles north of Elk Creek Post Office and across Clarks Valley Creek, 2.3 miles north of Fruto, at an approximate cost of \$46,300. Weidner Construction Co., contractor. Accepted Aug. 8, 1950.

San Diego County—Contract for surfacing 11.2 miles of State Route 2, between Del Mar and San Onofre at an approximate cost of \$177,845. Griffith Company, contractor. Accepted Aug. 11, 1950.

Lake County—Contract for construction of State Route 89 between 5.4 miles and 6.0 miles north of Middletown at an approximate cost of \$54,300. Arthur B. Siri, Inc., contractor. Accepted Aug. 11, 1950.

Many Veterans Buy Homes or Farms on State Housing Plan

State low-interest financing assisted 782 veterans to acquire or start construction of homes during July and helped seven more to obtain farms, it was reported today by State Director of Veterans Affairs D. J. Callaghan, Jr.

A total of \$5,614,563 of California Veterans Bond funds was advanced to these veterans, to be repaid by them in monthly installments over periods ranging up to 20 years, with interest currently computed at 3 per cent.

Callaghan said that while the July purchase volume was slightly lower than the all-time peak of 817 new contracts reached last May, it was more than 60 per cent higher than the figures for July of last year and indicated that the veterans' demand for the low interest rate and other advantages of the State financing plan was continuing at a sustained pace.

Sale of a \$50,000,000 issue of California Veterans Bonds has been announced by State Treasurer Charles G. Johnson for September 7. This will be the first sale under the authorization granted by the voters when they approved Proposition 1 on the June primary election ballot. Callaghan pointed out that the bonds are self-liquidating; since the veterans' installment payments cover both the cost of the bonds and of administration, no expense to the taxpayers is involved.

Under the State plan, a veteran who entered service from California or who was born in this State may be advanced up to \$7,500 on a home or \$13,500 on a farm, provided the appraisal value of the property does not exceed \$10,000 in the case of a home or \$15,000 on a farm.

Pledges Aid

Newark, N. J.—Louis P. Marciano, president New Jersey State Federation of Labor, sent the following message to President Truman:

"On behalf of the AFL workers of our state, I pledge you unqualified support in your request for greater productivity for defense purposes."

"As AFL President William Green has already pointed out, we must mobilize our full resources to keep the Red menace from spreading. The New Jersey AFL, like the AFL nationally, being definitely anti-communist, wishes to be among the first to back the fight against aggression with manpower productivity as well as patriotic zeal."